

Application No.: 09/316,430
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REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the final Office Action dated February 23, 2003, and is submitted with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) for continued consideration. Applicant acknowledges that claims 35-52 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention and reserves the right to pursue these claims in a divisional application. Claims 35-52 are indicated as canceled here. The pending claims are amended to recite a "filter or selection structure" to clarify within the claims that the two operations are in face the same and are supported by the specification. Rather than to repeat the arguments urged before, Applicant incorporates by reference here Applicant's Amendment and Response submitted on November 20, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to consider the arguments (with respect to Section 112, 102, and 103 of the Patent Statute) urged before in view of the amendments to the claims presented here.

Favorable consideration and allowance of the claims pending here is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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